STATE OF TEXAS DEPARTMENT OF INFORMATION RESOURCES

CONTRACT FOR SERVICES

Strategic Communications, LLC dba Strategic Cloud Communications, LLC

1. Introduction

A. Parties

This Contract for Services ("Contract") is entered into between the State of Texas ("State"), acting by and through the Department of Information Resources ("DIR") with its principal place of business at 300 West 15th Street, Suite 1300, Austin, Texas 78701, and Strategic Communications, LLC dba Strategic Cloud Communications, LLC ("Vendor"), with its principal place of business at 310 Evergreen Road, Louisville, Kentucky 40243.

B. Compliance with Procurement Laws

This Contract is the result of compliance with applicable procurement laws of the State. DIR issued a solicitation on the Comptroller of Public Accounts' Electronic State Business Daily, Request for Offer (RFO) DIR-TSO-TMP-266, on February 10, 2017 for Cloud Services. Upon execution of this Contract, a notice of award for RFO DIR-TSO-TMP-266 shall be posted by DIR on the Electronic State Business Daily.

C. Order of Precedence

This Contract; Appendix A, Standard Terms and Conditions for Services Contracts; Appendix B, Vendor's Historically Underutilized Businesses Subcontracting Plan; Appendix C, Pricing Index; Appendix D, Statement of Work; Exhibit 1, Vendor's Response to DIR-TSO-TMP-266, including all addenda; Exhibit 2, DIR-TSO-TMP-266 including all addenda; are incorporated by reference and constitute the entire agreement between DIR and Vendor. In the event of a conflict between the documents listed in this paragraph, the controlling document shall be this Contract, then Appendix A, then Appendix B, then Appendix C, then Appendix D, then Exhibit 1, and finally Exhibit 2. In the event and to the extent any provisions contained in multiple documents address the same or substantially the same subject matter but do not actually conflict, the more recent provisions shall be deemed to have superseded earlier provisions.

2. Term of Contract

The term of this Contract shall be two (2) years commencing on the last date of approval by DIR and Vendor. Prior to expiration of the original term, the contract will renew automatically in one-year increments for two additional years under the same terms and conditions unless either party provides notice to the other party 60 days in advance of the renewal date stating that the party wishes to discuss modification of terms or not renew. Additionally, the parties by mutual agreement may extend the term for up to ninety (90) additional calendar days.

3. Service Offerings

A. Services

Services available under this Contract are limited to Cloud Services and Related Services as specified in Appendix C, Pricing Index. Vendor may incorporate changes to their services offering; however, any changes must be within the scope of the RFO and services awarded based on the posting described in Section 1.B above. Vendor may not add services which were not included in the Vendor's response to the solicitation described in Section 1.B above.

B. Emerging Technologies and Future Acquisitions

DIR recognizes that technology is ever-evolving and advancing. DIR reserves the right to consider the addition of emerging technology such as next generation, enhancements and upgrades for services that are within the scope of Cloud Services. Vendor may propose such services throughout the term of the contract. Pricing and terms will be negotiated upon DIR acceptance. Any determination will be at DIR's sole discretion and any decision will be final. In addition, Texas DIR and Vendor may mutually agree to add future acquisitions of Vendor to the contract. Subsequent terms of the acquisition(s) and pricing will be mutually agreed upon in writing and amended under the contract.

4. Pricing

Pricing to the DIR Customer shall be as set forth in Appendix A, Section 7, Pricing, Purchase Orders, Invoices and Payment, and as set forth in Appendix C, Pricing Index and shall include the DIR Administrative Fee.

5. DIR Administrative Fee

- A) The administrative fee to be paid by the Vendor to DIR based on the dollar value of all sales to Customers pursuant to this Contract is three-fourths of one percent (.75%). Payment will be calculated for all sales, net of returns and credits. For example, the administrative fee for sales totaling \$100,000 shall be \$750.00.
- **B)** All prices quoted to Customers shall include the administrative fee. DIR reserves the right to change this fee upwards or downwards during the term of this Contract, upon written notice to Vendor without further requirement for a formal contract amendment. Any change in the administrative fee shall be incorporated by Vendor in the price to the Customer.

6. Notification

All notices under this Contract shall be sent to a party at the respective address indicated below.

If sent to the State:

Kelly A Parker, CTPM, CTCM Director, Cooperative Contracts Department of Information Resources 300 W. 15th St., Suite 1300 Austin, Texas 78701 b 47

Facsimile: (512) 475-4759

Email: kelly.parker@dir.texas.gov

If sent to the Vendor:

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Strategic Communications, LLC dba Strategic Cloud Communications, LLC

310 Evergreen Road

Louisville, Kentucky 40243 Phone: (502) 813-4048 Facsimile: (502) 657-6512

Email: prheh@yourstrategic.com

7. Statement of Work

A) Services provided under this Contract shall be based on the Sample Statement of Work (SOW) as set forth in Appendix D of this Contract. Customers may negotiate the terms and conditions of a SOW to suit their business needs, so long as the negotiated terms and conditions do not diminish Vendor's commitments set forth in the Appendix D, Sample Statement of Work or this Contract.

B) Conflicting or Additional Terms

In the event that conflicting or additional terms in Service Agreements or linked or supplemental documents amend or diminish the rights of DIR Customers or the State, such conflicting or additional terms shall not take precedence over the terms of this Contract.

In the event of a conflict, any linked documents may not take precedence over the printed or referenced documents comprising this contract; provided further that any update to such linked documents shall only apply to purchases or leases of the associated Vendor product or service offering after the effective date of the update; and, provided further, that, if Vendor has responded to a solicitation or request for pricing, no update of such linked documents on or after the initial date of Vendor's initial response shall apply to that purchase unless Vendor directly informs Customer of the update before the purchase is consummated.

In the event that different or additional terms or conditions would otherwise result from accessing a linked document, agreement to said linked document shall not be effective until reviewed and approved in writing by Customer's authorized signatory.

Vendor shall not [without prior written agreement from Customer's authorized signatory,] require any document that: 1) diminishes the rights, benefits, or protections of the Customer, or that alters the definitions, measurements, or method for determining any authorized rights, benefits, or protections of the Customer; or 2) imposes additional costs, burdens, or obligations upon Customer, or that alters the definitions, measurements, or method for determining any authorized costs, burdens, or obligations upon Customer.

If Vendor attempts to do any of the foregoing, the prohibited documents will be void and inapplicable to the contract between DIR and Vendor or Vendor and Customer, and Vendor will nonetheless be obligated to perform the contract without regard to the prohibited documents, unless Customer elects instead to terminate the contract, which in such case may be identified as a termination for cause against Vendor.

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Vendor Contract No.	

The foregoing requirements apply to all contracts, including, but not limited to, contracts between Customer and a reseller who attempts to pass through documents and obligations from its Manufacturer of Publisher.

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No exceptions have been agreed to by DIR and Vendor.

This Contract is executed to be effective as of the date of last signature.
Strategic Communications, LLC dba Strategic Cloud Communications, LLC
Authorized By: Signature on File
Name: Kathy Mills
Title: CEO
Date: 10/16/18
The State of Texas, acting by and through the Department of Information Resources
Authorized By: Signature on File
Name: Hershel Becker
Title: Chief Procurement Officer
Date: 10/22/18

Office of General Counsel: <u>mh 10/22/18</u>